

BORDER PROTECTION

MRA SEIZES RS. 15 MILLION SYNTHETIC DRUGS AT AIRPORT



In the afternoon of Tuesday 19 March, 2019, an inhabitant of Cité Atlee, Forest Side, was arrested at a courier service at the SSR International Airport while he was trying to collect a parcel arriving from Hong Kong by flight EK 701. The parcel was intercepted by the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) upon suspicion of the presence of synthetic drugs in the three plastic bags contained in the parcel.

The content, purple, brown and orange powder in each bag respectively went through a field test which revealed to be positive. The suspect was arrested by the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU) while he was trying to escape. The market value of the drugs is estimated to be Rs. 15 million.

Members of the public may report suspected drug/ illicit activities to the MRA through the Stop Drug platform or by calling on 8958.